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Dear Jeff,

On behalf of Partners In Flight, I want to thank you for helping advance bird conservation another significant notch in 2001. As you know, state wildlife agencies, regional associations and IAFWA have been absolutely critical to the continued development of science-based bird conservation in North America.

I have no doubt that we will continue to improve our ability to conserve birds and their habitats, in concert with waterfowl, shorebird, waterbird, game bird and every other bird interest that's out there in 2002 and beyond.

I again offer my assistance and that of the Partners In Flight Regional Coordinators - Dean Demarest, Ken Rosenberg, Greg Butcher, and Carol Beardmore - in any issues or activities where we can do more for you. I am particularly eager that Partners In Flight help put more habitat conservation on the ground.

Finally, let me point out our upcoming *Third International Partners In Flight Conference: A Workshop on Bird Conservation Implementation and Integration*, to be held 20-24 March 2002 at the Asilomar Conference Grounds, Monterey, California. I hope that you and your staff can participate. Details are available on our web site.

Happy Holidays,

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